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A combination of Earth orientation measurements has been generated from space-geodetic observations spanning 1976-1995. The approach taken is the same as that used in generating previous such combinations (e.g., Gross, "Combinations of Earth Orientation Measurements : SPACE94, COMB94, and EOP(JPL)94", Journal of Geophysical Research, in press, 1996) and will be only briefly described here. Since it was desirable to combine only independent determinations of the Earth's orientation, only those series listed in Table 1 were used. Note that only the Scripps CGPS measurements through May 31, 1992 were used, with the JPL GPS measurements being used after that date (series EOP(JPL)95 P 02 through January 27, 1995; the JPL FLINN Analysis series thereafter). Similarly, only the USNO IRIS Intensive UT1 determinations made after January 1, 1995 were used, with the NOAA IRIS intensive series being used before that date; and only the USNO Navnet UTPM values after December 29, 1994 were used, with the NASA/GSFC Space Geodesy Program (SGP) values being used before then.

Prior to their combination, the bias and rate of each series was iteratively adjusted so as to be in agreement with the bias and rate exhibited by a combination of all other series; the stated uncertainty of each series was adjusted by applying a multiplicative scale factor making the residual of that data, when differenced with a combination of all other data, have a reduced chi-square of one; and those data points whose residual values were greater than three times their adjusted uncertainties were deleted. In order for the final combination, SPACE95, to be given within a well-defined terrestrial reference frame, an additional common bias-rate correction was applied to each series so that, their combination, SPACE95, would be aligned with the IERS Earth orientation series EOP(IERS) C 04 during 1984-1995. The total bias-rate corrections and uncertainty scale factors that have been applied to the individual series prior to their combination into SPACE95 are given in Table 1 in the natural reference frame for each data type: the transverse (1'), vertical (V) frame for single baseline VLBI measurements; the variation-of--latitude (LAT), UT0 frame for single station LOR measurements; and the usual UTPM (PMX, PMY, UT1) frame for all other measurements. The errors in the bias-rate corrections (given in parentheses in Table 1) are the formal errors in determining the incremental bias-rate corrections during the last iteration of the iterative, round-robin procedure.

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TABLE 1. ADJ USTMENTS 1'0 1 DATA SETS PRJ OR TO COMB NAT I ON

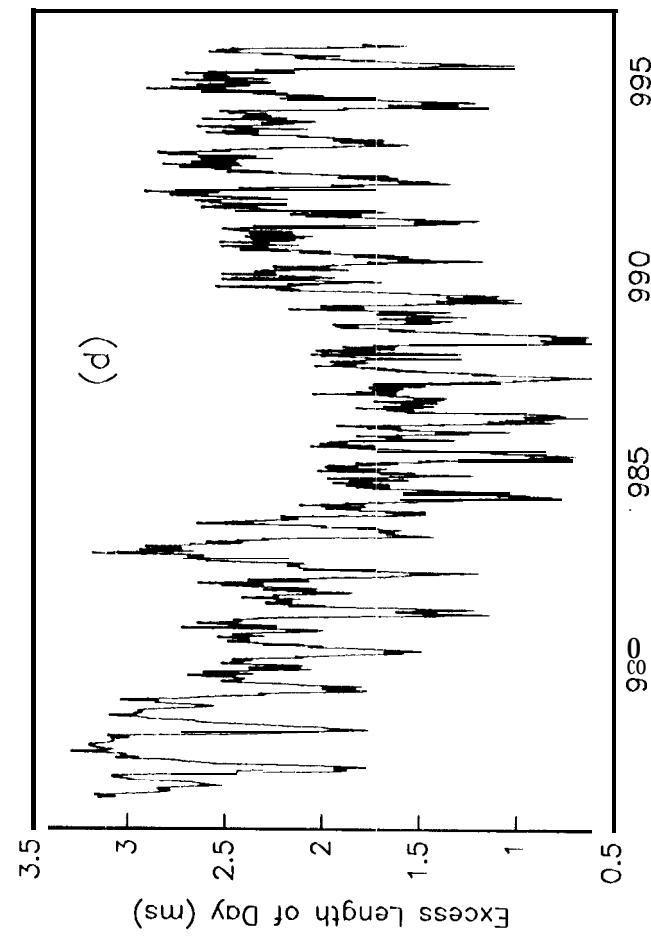
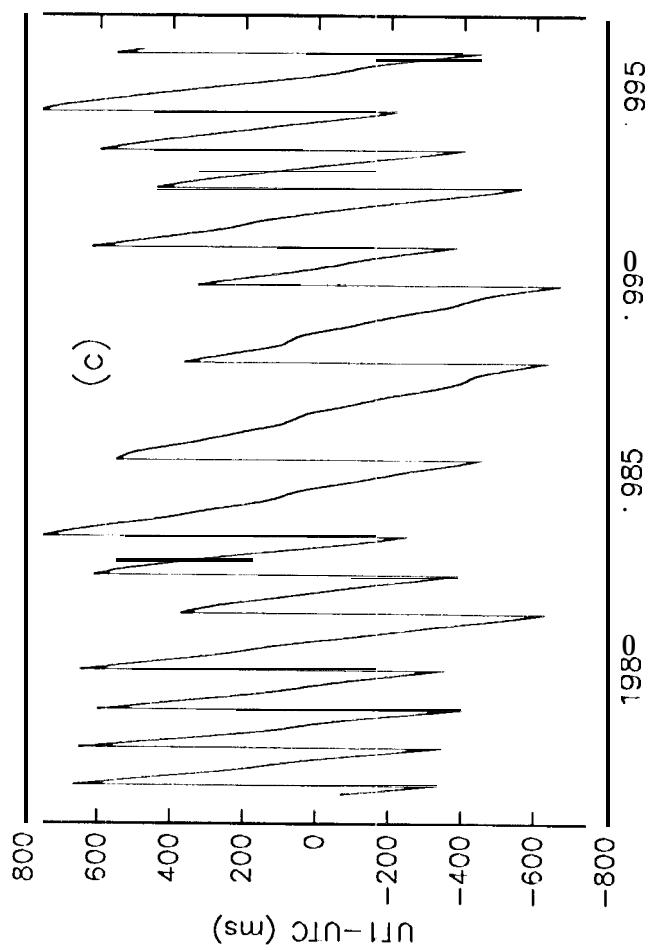
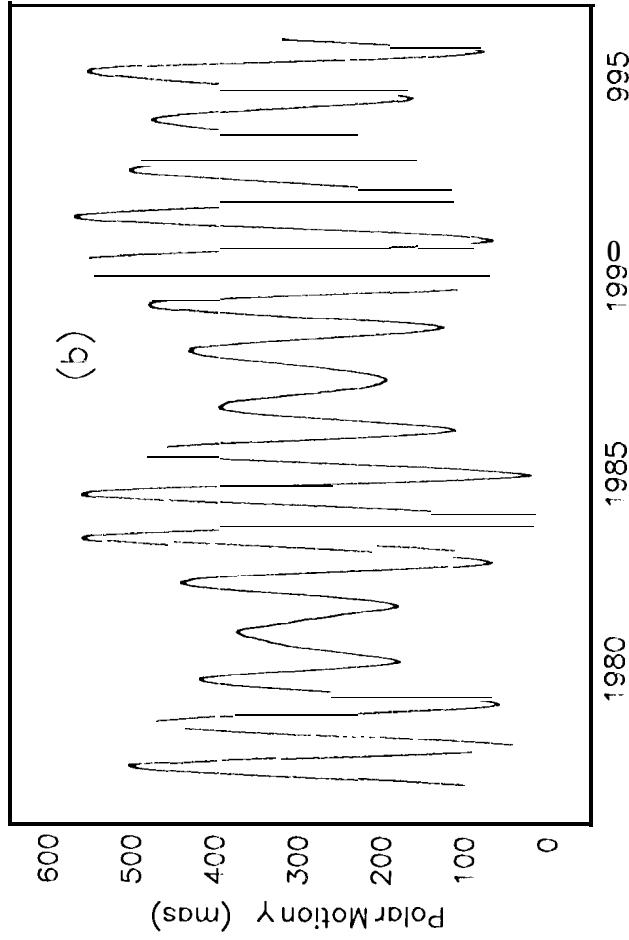
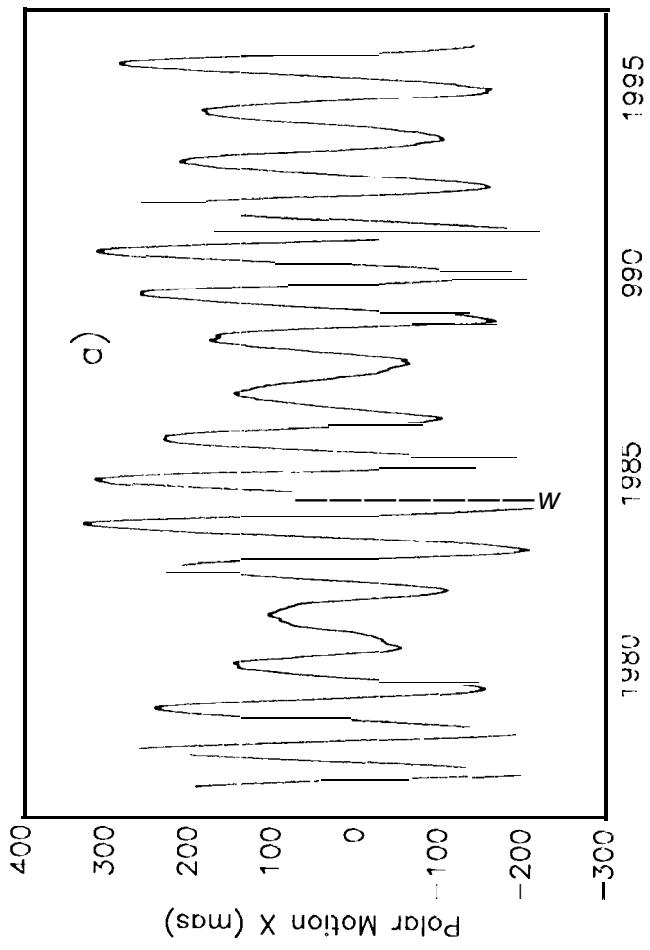
DATA SET NAME	BIAS (mas)		RATE (mas/yr)		UNCERTAINTY SCALE FACTOR				
IIR (J Pl; 18 JAN96) McDonald Cluster	VOI, -0.206 (0.140)	UT0 0.134 (0.130)	VOI, -0.568 (0.043)	UT0 -0.156 (0.036)	VOI, 1.630 (1.154)	UT0			
CERGA	0.624 (0.068)	-0.055 (0.055)	0.136 (0.032)	-0.02 (0.021)	1.788 (1.423)				
Haleakala	-0.010 (0.915)	-1.454 (0. ")45)	-0.283 (0.186)	-0.170 (0.15"/)	1.549 (1.692)				
DSN (VLIB; JPL95R01) CA- Spain Cluster	1' 0.178 (0.032)	V 0.053 (0.0'4)	1' 0.083 (0.015)	V 0.059 (0.035)	V 1.354 (1.094)	V			
CA-Australia Cluster	0.323 (0.027)	-0.046 (0.071)	-0.0-12 (0.011)	-0.050 (0.031)	1.371 (1.098)				
NASA SGP (VLIB; GLB973f) Westford- Ft . Davis	T 11.357 (3."/29)	V 0.576 (6.555)	T 1.055 (0.376)	V -0.090 (0.657)	T 0.904 (0.870)	V			
Westford- Mojave	0.283 (0.210)	0.791 (0.439)	-0.028	0.008	2.326 (0.954)				
NASA SGP(973f) PMX Multi- baseline	PMY -1.203 (0.015)	UT1 -2.040 (0.013)	PMX 0.480 (0.019)	PMY -0.154 (0.006)	UT1 -0.0"/2 (0.0 0 0 5)	PMX -0.121 (0.007)	PMY 2.226 (1.963)	UT1 2.192	
USNO (15FEB96) PMX Navicte-	PMX -0.153 (0.016)	PMY 1.190 (0.012)	UT1 -0."/05 (0.019)	PMX 0.193 (0.009)	PMY 0.099 (0.007)	UT1 0.043 (0.010)	PMX 2.012 (1.602)	PMY 1.783 (1.783)	
NOAA (31JAN95) PMX IRIS Inten. ---	PMX ---	PMY 0.748 (0.022)	UT1 ---	PMX ---	PMY -0.072 (0.006)	UT1 ---	PMX ---	PMY ---	UT1 0.933
USNO (15FEB96) PMX IRIS Inten. ---	PMX ---	PMY ---	UT1 -0.898 (0.113)	PMX ---	PMY 0.156 (0.059)	UT1 ---	PMX ---	PMY ---	UT1 1.840
UTCSR (951.01) PMX LAGOS SIR -	PMX -0.010 (0.020)	PMY 0.023 (0.016)	UT1 ---	PMX 0.106 (0.006)	PMY -0.049 (0.005)	UT1 ---	PMX 0.849	PMY 0.743	UT1 ---
GPS (SIO93P01) PMX Scripps	PMX -1.091 (0.035)	PMY -1.516 (0.039)	UT1 ---	PMX -0.027 (0.018)	PMY -0.018	UT1 ---	PMX 1.956	PMY 1.903	UT1 ---
GPS (JPL95P02) PMX JPL	PMX -0.194 (0.025)	PMY -0.259 (0.023)	UT1 ---	PMX 0.05'7 (0.021)	PMY -0.156 (0.019)	UT1 ---	PMX 3.25'7	PMY 2.800	UT1 ---
GPS (1-'I, INN) JPL	PMX 0.450 (0.035)	PMY 0.219 (0.016)	UT1 ---	PMX -0.02'/'	PMY -0.018	UT1 ---	PMX 12.273	PMY 3.542	UT1 ---

REFERENCE DATE FOR BIAS-RATE ADJUSTMENT IS 1993.0

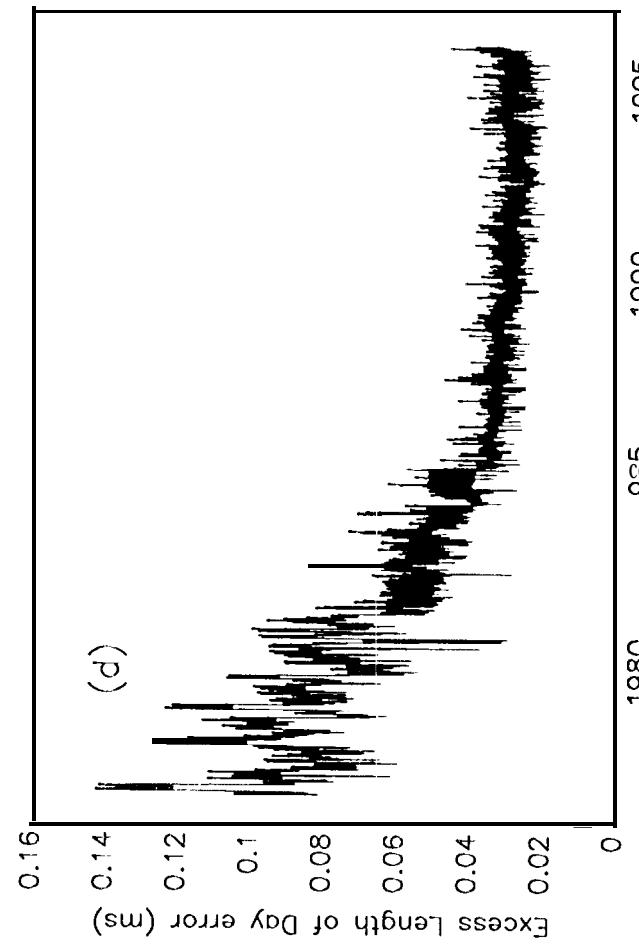
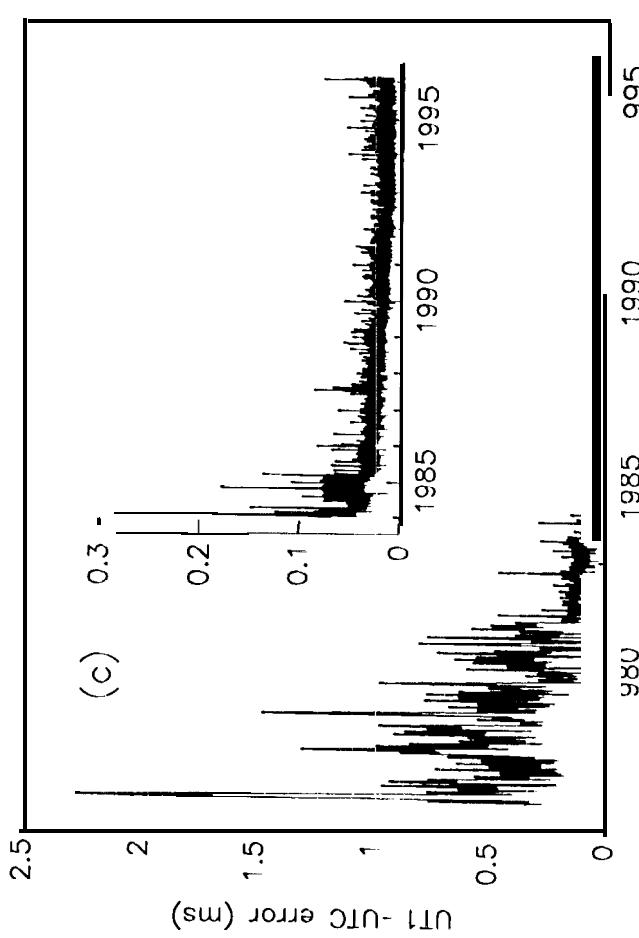
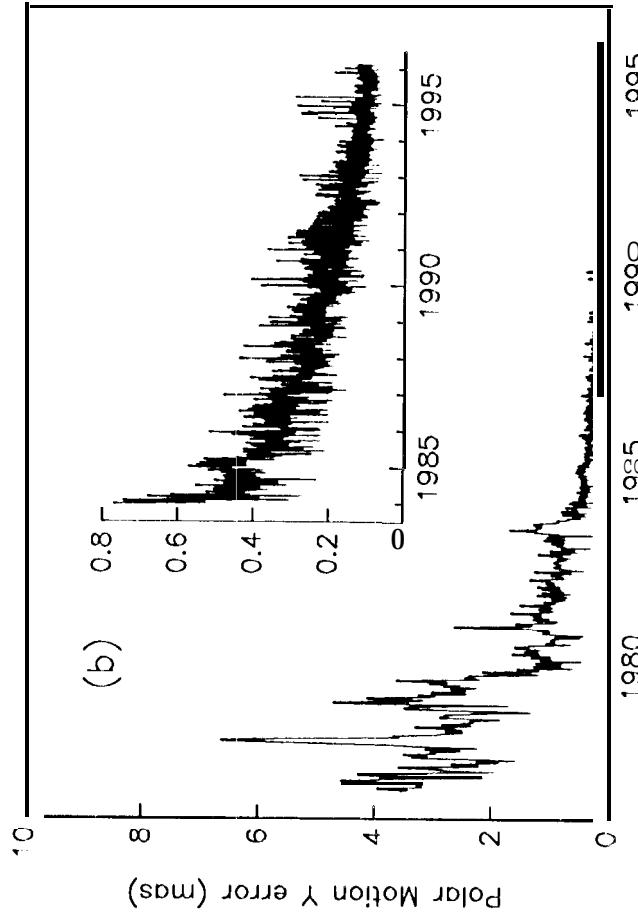
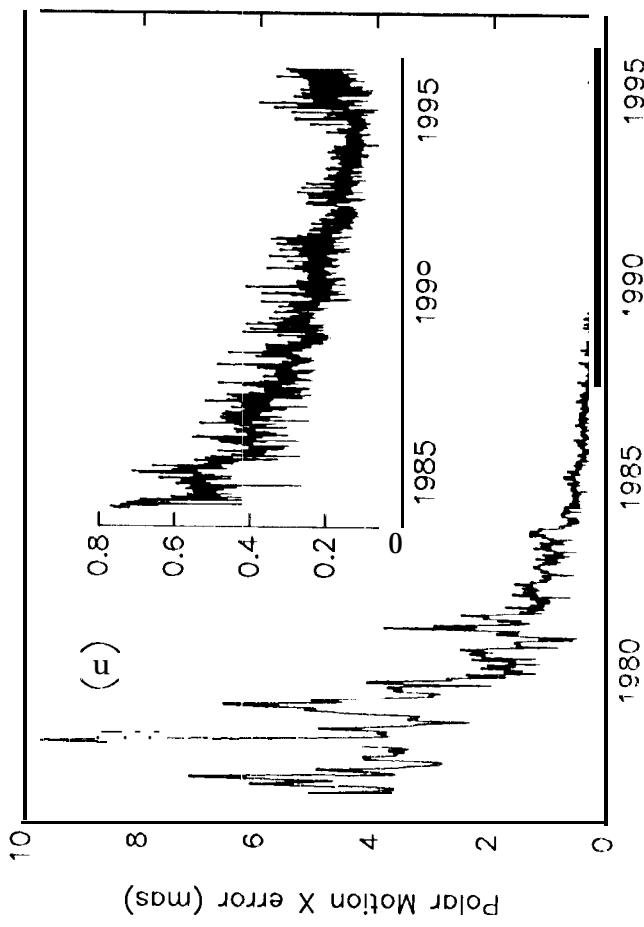
Technical description of solution JPL 96 C 01

1 - Technique: Combined
2 - Analysis Center: JPL
3 - Software used: Kalman Earth Orientation Filter (KEOF)
4 - Data span: Oct 76 - Feb 96 at 1-day intervals
5 - Celestial Reference Frame: Not Applicable
 a - Nature:
 b - Definition of the orientation:
6 - Terrestrial Reference Frame: Not Applicable
 a - Relativity scale:
 b - Velocity of light:
 c - Gravitational constant:
 d - Permanent tidal correction:
 e - Definition of the origin:
 f - Definition of the orientation:
 g - Reference epoch:
 h - Tectonic plate model:
 i - Constraint for time evolution:
7 - Earth orientation: EOP(JPL) 96 C 01
 a - A priori precession model : Not Applicable
 b - A priori nutation model : Not Applicable
 c - Short-period tidal variations in x, y, UT1 :
 When necessary, diurnal and semidiurnal tidal variations have been removed from the individual EOP series prior to their combination into EOP(JPL) 96 C 01. Diurnal and semidiurnal tidal terms have not been added back and are therefore not included in the values reported in EOP(JPL) 96 C 01.
8 - Estimated Parameters:
 a - Celestial Frame:
 b - Terrestrial Frame:
 c - Earth Orientation: PMX, PMY, UT1-UTC
 d - Others:

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